**Flavius’ story: The siege of Troy**

Nomen:

Agamemnon, rex **Mycenarum**, omnes principes **Graecorum** convocat; iubet eos **bellum** in Troianos parare. frater **eius**, Menelaus, adest; Achilles, **heroum fortissimus**, venit a Thessalia; adest **Ulixes** ab Ithaca, et multi alii. magnum **exercitum** parant et multas naves. ad urbem Troiam navigant et Troianos oppugnant.

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**Mycenarum** = of Mycenae **Graecorum** = of the Greeks **bellum** = war

**eius** = his **heroum fortissimus** = the bravest of the heroes **Ulixes** = Odysseus

**exercitum** = army

sed Troiani urbem fortiter defendunt. **decem annos** Graeci urbem **obsident** sed eam capere non **possunt**. tandem Agamemnon et Achilles in **rixam** cadunt. Achilles iratus est; **non diutius** pugnat sed prope naves manet **otiosus**. Troiani iam Graecos vincunt et **pellunt** ad naves.

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**decem annos** = for ten years **obsident** = (they) besiege **possunt** = can, are able to

**rixam** = quarrel **non diutius** = no longer **otiosus** = idle

**pellunt** = (they) drive

*1. In line 1, who is Agamemnon introduced as being?*

A) a big gladiator B) the narrator C) the king of Mycenae D) a teacher

*2. In lines 1 - 2, what does Agamemnon order the Greeks to do?*

A) to prepare for war with Troy B) to bring him money C) to plan a party D) to sleep

*3. In line 2, who is the bravest of the heroes?*

A) Menelaus B) Agamemnon C) Quintus D) Achilles

*4. The phrase “Achilles venit ā Thessalia” means what?*

A) Achilles comes to Thessaly B) Achilles comes of Thessaly C) Achilles comes from Thessaly D) Achilles will go to Thessaly

*5. Where is the army of Greek soldiers heading, from what you read in lines 3 – 4?*

A) Mycenae B) Troy C) Ithaca D) somewhere else

*6. In line 5, for how many years did the Greeks’ siege of Troy last?*

A) III B) V C) X D) L

*7. In ligna 6, quis iratus erat?*

A) Achilles B) Agamemnon C) Menelaus D) Patroclus

*8. The phrase “Troiani iam Graecos vincunt” means?*

A) The Trojans are being conquered by the Greeks B) The Trojans and the Greeks conquer

C) The Trojans are conquering the Greeks D) The Trojans like the Greeks

Agamemnon amicos ad Achillem mittit qui eum iubent ad pugnam redire. illi ‘ o Achilles,’ inquiunt, ‘ Troiani nos vincunt et pellunt ad naves. in magno periculo sumus. tu debes ad pugnam redire et comites defendere.’ sed ille amicos non audit neque ab ira desistit.

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mox Troiani naves oppugnant et incendunt. Patroclus, amicus carus, ad Achillem accedit et ‘Troiani iam naves incendunt,’ inquit. ‘debes abira desistere et amicos iuvare. si tu pugnare non vis, debes me cum comitibus tuis in pugnam mittere.’ itaque Achilles invitus Patroclum in pugnam mittit. ille arma Achilles induit et comites in pugnam ducit.

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Troiani, ubi arma Achillis vident, territi sunt et ad urbem fugiunt. Patroclus in eos currit et multos occidit. sed Hector, fortissimus Troianorum, resistit et Patroclum in pugnam vocat. hastam iacit et Patroclum interficit.

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